U.S. Naval Hospital, Subsistence Building (Bldg.4)
Park Boulevard, Balboa Park
San Diego
San Diego County
California

HABS No. CA-1548-D

HABS CAL, 37-SANDI, 27-D-

PHOTOGRAPHS

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

Historic American Buildings Survey
National Park Service
Hestern Region
Department of the Interior
San Francisco, CA 94102

CAL,

Form 10-920 (June 1983)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR 37- SANDI

Bldg. 4

HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY 27-D-ARCHITECTURAL DATA FORM

STATE:	COUNTY:	TOWN OR VICINITY:
California	San Diego	City of San Diego
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (SOURCE IN PARENTHESES): U.S. Naval Hospital, HABS NO.:		
Subsistence Building CA-1548 D		
(Original name in construction of Naval Hospital Complex)		
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAME OF STRUCTURE: U.S. Naval Hospital		
Building 4		
ADDRESS: U.S. Naval Hospital, Balboa Park, San Diego, CA, 92134		
The Hospital complex is on the south side of Park Boulevard.		
This building fronts west onto the main courtyard.		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION: ARCHITECTS(S): U.S. Navy Bureau of Yards and Docks		
1920 (Construction Drawings) (Elevation drawing signed K.W.H.)		
Please see narrative for discussion of designers.		
ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE (ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE IN PARENTHESES):		
A contributing structure in an eligible historic district. Not individually significant.		
(Designed and built to be a kitchen and cafeteria for the hospital complex.)		
STYLE: Mediterranean style. (Please see narrative for a discussion of the style.)		
MATERIAL AND STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS: Reinforced concrete frame and floors, hollow-tile-		
infilled walls, stucco exterior, wood roof framing, mission tile roof, and wood double-		
hung six-over-six windows. (Also see narrative and outline report concerning Building 1)		
for additional information on construction.)		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE: (PLEASE SEE SKETCHED FLOOR PLAN ON SEPARATE PAGE)		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE: (PLEASE SEE 1985 PHOTOGRAPHS.) Site slopes east allowing		
access to basement story from Farenholt Avenue. Connects to adjacent buildings by means		
of covered walks.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE: (PLEASE SEE SKETCHED FLOOR PLAN ON SEPARATE PAGE)		
Gross floor area 26,973 square feet. Dining Hall.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES: Sketch of existing floorplan shows extent		
of major changes. Covered walks 1922, exterior stairs 1924, change in basement and		
first floor 1937, added storage and loading facilities 1941. Converted to medical		
laboratory use in 1950's. Dropped ceiling and fluorescent lights.		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE: Adequately maintained with no eye to historic preservation.		
Exterior has had only minor changes. Houses blood bank, chemical, cytological, dental,		
and other labs.		
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Stands across central courtyard across from rear of Bldg. 1 and		
between Buildings 9 and 10 to which it is connected by covered walks. A suspended		
footbridge connects it to Bldg. 11.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION: Original construction drawings; Architectural and Historical		
Resources Survey by Sally Woodbridge; and, field inspection.		
1		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION: Joel SI		
A.I.A., Contractor to Dept. o		on, Naval December 1985
Facilities Engineering Command, San Bruno, Calif.		

U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL. SUBSISTENCE BUILDING (BLDG 4) HABS NO. CA-1546 D. (page 2)¹ PATIENTS MESS TILE DOCTORS MESS ROOF PANTRY HOSPITAL CORPS MESS HOSPITAL CORPS FLAT MESS ROOF T BEDROOM FOR 2 C.P.O. -PANTRY DOCTORS MESS BEDROOM FOR G.P.O. - ROOF OVER COVERED WALK. PATIENTS MESS ... THIRD FLOOR/ROOF PLAN SECOND FLOOR PLAN PATIENTS MESS MOUNDATION CIVILIANS MESS DIET CARTS LOADING ! PLATFORM BASEMENT W/ KITCHEN DIET MEAT SINK & .. KITCHEN YEG. SINK PANTRY - GARBAGE

GOVERED WALK -

PATIENTS MESS

GRAPHIC SCALE 0' 10' 20'

BASEMENT PLAN

FOUNDATION

ORIGINAL FLOOR PLAN

STORE

FIRST FLOOR PLANT

